Number of Colleges of Indian Systems of Medicine

2969. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of government as well as private Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Colleges in the country, with their annual intake as on April, 1, 1991, State-wise;

(b) whether the Union Government have any scheme for upgrading the standard of instruction and training in such colleges;

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to set up a national institute on the pattern of the Medical Council of India to recognise such colleges; and

(d) if so, the break-up of the collages under the category of recognised, recognition refused and recognition under consideration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Allocation of Funds to Health Centres and Family Planning Centres in Bihar

2970. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the total amount earmarked for the health centres and the family planning centres in Bihar during 1989-90 and 1990-91, and its percentage utilisation thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Procurement of Wheels and Axles

2971. SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the country-wise details of expenditure incurred in procurement of Axles and Wheels for the Railways from abroad during the last three years;

(b) the percentage of total railway requirements placed with the Public Sector units during the period;

(c) whether the Government have taken a decision to offer some Private Sector industries to manufacture axles and wheels for the Railways;

(d) if so, the percentage of total quantum fixed in this regard;

(e) whether the existing capacities in Public Sector are not being fully utilised for this purpose; and

(f) if so, the facts in details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) A Statement is attached.

(b)	1988-89	:	58.92
	1989-90	:	48.14
	1990-91	:	45.03

(c) and (d). Items are delicensed in the New Industrial Policy and no decision on the part of Government is required. The Indian Railways are procuring wheels for Narrow Gauge rolling stock and axles and tyres for all gauges, from the Private Sector also. Efforts are being made to interest the Private Sector to undertake the manufacture and supply of wheel discs.

(e) No, Sir. Imports are planned only after fully loading indigenous units in Public and Private Sectors.

(f) Does not arise.